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In re Application of

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For: COATED FILM FORMING METHOD AND APPARATUS THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

By Official Action mailed March 4, 2004 restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121:

- I. Claims 1-3, drawn to a method.
- II. Claims 4-7, drawn to an apparatus.

In response, Applicant hereby elects claims 4-7 for examination in this case.

Claims 1-3 are hereby cancelled and being submitted in a Divisional Application filed concurrently herewith.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

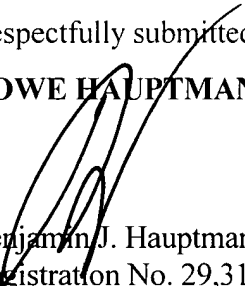
To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including

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extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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